

REMARKS

Initially, Applicants would like to thank Examiner Yu for her indication that the claims contained allowable subject matter and for her cooperation in successfully furthering prosecution in this case.

The above amendments reflect the claim amendments contained in the Examiner's Amendment accompanying the June 29, 2006, Notice of Allowance. The above amendments correct minor typographical errors in claim 24 in the Examiner's Amendment (for example, replacing "oxylated" with -- ethoxylated --). For sake of clarity, all of the amendments set forth in the Examiner's Amendment are set forth above as "currently amended" claims.

The above amendments also replace, in part (1) of claim 24 of the Examiner's Amendment, the phrase "at least one phosphate surfactant component" with the phrase --at least one monoalkyl phosphate surfactant--, and the amendments also delete references to "diesters" in part (1). Applicants respectfully submit that claim 24 amended in this manner better corresponds to the data submitted in the numerous Rule 132 declarations in this case – the MAP 20 product used in the Rule 132 declarations contains both monoesters and diesters of lauryl phosphate (75% monoester). Applicants' believed it was possible that claim 24 in the Examiner's amendment could theoretically be interpreted to exclude such a preferred combination of monoesters and diesters. Accordingly, Applicants' have amended claim 24 to ensure that such a combination is encompassed within the claim, particularly in view of the results demonstrated in the Rule 132 declarations submitted in this case.

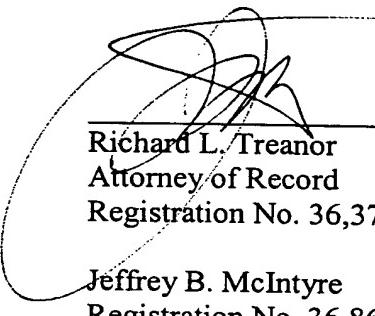
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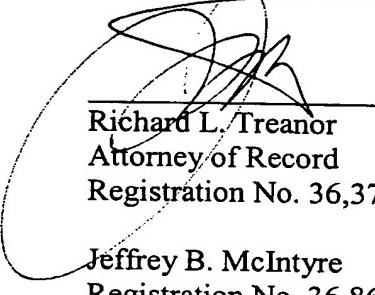
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Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment prior to issuance of this application as a patent.

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